

Abstract



A printing apparatus includes a printer body having a setting surface on which a printing medium is set, a carriage beam attached to the printer body and extending along the setting surface, and a carriage provided so as to be movable in the beam lengthwise direction with respect to the carriage beam, and further includes an ink head equipped with a nozzle for discharging ink provided in the carriage. The printing apparatus also includes a carriage support which supports the carriage onto the carriage beam in a manner enabling it to move up and down, an ink receiving part which receives ink that is discharged from the ink head, and a receiving part supporting which supports the ink receiving part on the carriage in a manner enabling it to move to an ink receiving part below the ink head and a withdrawing position separated from the ink head.